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APPLICANT: G. Cevc

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FOR: METHOD FOR DEVELOPING, TESTING AND USING ASSOCIATES OF
MACROMOLECULES AND COMPLEX AGGREGATES FOR IMPROVED
PAYLOAD AND CONTROLLABLE DE/ASSOCIATION RATES

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AMENDMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated September 25, 2001 for the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please add to the application the Abstract set forth on the attached sheet.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following sentence to the first line of text of the application:

B2 Safe
--The present application claims the benefit of International Application No.

PCT/JP99/00191, filed on January 20, 1999.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-57 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims.

B3 Safe
58. A combination of substances comprising at least one first and at least one second substance of which exhibit amphipatic properties when contacted in a suitable liquid medium,